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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION  
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## TITLE OF INVENTION

METHOD AND PLANT FOR THE HEAT TREATMENT OF SULFIDIC ORES USING ANNULAR FLUIDIZED BED

## APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US


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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
4. ☒ The US has been elected. (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). *unsigned*
10. ☐ An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11. to 20. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☒ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter (PCT/IB/306).
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or Information: Published Application with International Search Report; Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices; Copy of Written Opinion; Return Receipt Postcard.

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22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee					
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All other situations.....\$200				\$200.00	
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Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority .....\$100					
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office.....\$400					
All other situations.....\$500				\$400.00	
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Independent claims	1 - 3 =		x \$200.00		\$0.00
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I hereby certify that the following attached paper(s) and/or fee:

1. Transmittal letter to the US Designated Elected Office Concerning Filing Under 35 USC 371 (2 pps);
2. Preliminary Amendment (9 pp);
3. Information Disclosure Statement (1 pp);
4. PTO Form 1449 (1 pp) and (1) Cited Reference;
5. Published International Application with International Search Report;
6. Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices (1 pp);
7. Declaration (10 pp);
8. Notification of the Recording of a Change (1 pp);
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